

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An internal substance delivery device for insertion into a ~~body~~ vaginal cavity, wherein the device includes a support frame having at least two resilient arms,

wherein a distal section of each of the at least two resilient arms is tensioned outwards from a central section of the support frame towards a mucosal membrane of the vaginal cavity when the device is *in situ*,

wherein the outwards tensioning ~~which retain~~ retains the ~~inserted~~ internal substance delivery device within the ~~body~~ vaginal cavity and against [[a]] the mucosal membrane of the ~~body~~ vaginal cavity when the device is *in situ*,

wherein each resilient arm is capable of receiving and releasing a separate pod capable of releasing a drug contained within a matrix of the pod into the ~~body~~ vaginal cavity, ~~wherein each distal end of the at least two resilient arms and pods attached to the arms are biased outward from a central section of the support frame and~~

wherein at least one of the pods is flexibly attached to a corresponding arm by a ball and socket mechanism allowing full movement of the at least one of the pods [[pod]] with respect to the support frame ~~and enabling the internal substance delivery device to contact the mucosal membrane within the body cavity.~~

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein the ~~device is an intra-vaginal release device~~ at least two resilient arms are capable of being compressed for insertion into or withdrawal of the device from the vaginal cavity.

4. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein the drug is released from the pod through osmosis.

5. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein the pod is rounded.

6-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein the pod is attached at or near a distal end of each of the at least two resilient arms and the outwards tensioning of the distal section enables a surface of the pod to contact the mucosal membrane within the vaginal cavity when the device is *in situ* capable of attaching to the substance delivery device.

9. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein the support frame is in ~~in~~ a form of a wish bone.

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 9, wherein the support frame is made of nylon.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Cancelled).

14. (Currently Amended) The internal substance delivery device ~~as claimed in either of~~ claim 9 or claim 11, wherein the support frame includes a locator to enable the substance delivery device to be readily located and removed from *in situ*.

15-20. (Cancelled).

21. (Currently Amended) An intra-vaginal substance release device for insertion into a vagina,

wherein the intra-vaginal substance release device includes a support frame having at least two resilient arms tensioned outwards at or near a distal end,

wherein the tensioning engages ~~which engage~~ the intra-vaginal release device within the vagina when the device is *in situ*,

wherein each ~~resilient arm~~ of the at least two resilient arms is capable of receiving and releasing a separate pod capable of releasing a ~~drug~~ substance contained within a matrix of the pod into the vagina,

wherein each distal end of the at least two resilient arms and pods attached to the arms ~~are biased~~ extend outward from a central section of the support frame towards the mucosal membrane of the vagina when the device is *in situ*, and

wherein at least one of the pods is flexibly attached to a corresponding arm by a ball and socket mechanism allowing three dimensional movement of the pod with respect to the support frame, enabling the ~~intra-vaginal release device~~ at least one of the pods to be in contact with the walls of the vagina.

22 (New) The intra-vaginal substance release device of claim 21, wherein the at least two resilient arms are capable of being compressed for insertion into or withdrawal of the device from the vagina.

23. (New) The intra-vaginal substance release device of claim 21, wherein the substance is released from the pod through osmosis.

24. (New) The intra-vaginal substance release device of claim 21, wherein the pod is attached at or near a distal end of each of the at least two resilient arms and the outwards tensioning of the at least two resilient arms at or near the distal end enables a surface of the pod to contact the mucosal membrane within the vaginal cavity when the device is *in situ*.

25. (New) The intra-vaginal substance release device of claim 1, wherein the support frame is in a form of a wish bone.

26. (New) The substance delivery device of claim 1, wherein each of the at least two resilient arms is substantially S-shaped.

27. (New) The intra-vaginal substance release device of claim 21, wherein each of the at least two resilient arms is substantially S-shaped.

28. (New) The substance delivery device of claim 1, wherein each distal end of the at least two resilient arms and pods attached to the arms extend outward from a central section of the support frame towards the mucosal membrane of the vaginal cavity.

29. (New) The substance delivery device of claim 1, comprising two resilient arms facing one another.

30. (New) The intra-vaginal substance release device of claim 21, comprising two resilient arms facing one another.

31. (New) The substance delivery device of claim 29, wherein the two resilient arms are offset with respect to one another.

32. (New) The substance delivery device of claim 30, wherein the two resilient arms are offset with respect to one another.